

# Preparedness at a Glance

January 9, 2015

## Inside This Issue:

- 1 On the RADAR:**  
Upcoming Deliverables
- 2 Local News:**  
Region 14 Hosts Healthcare PPE training
- 4 News from the Branch:**  
SNS Program Update  
Region 2 RPC Coverage  
ESF-8 Conference Save The Date
- 5 Training – In the Know**
- 5 Events and Exercises**  
LHD PPE Donning and Doffing video

## CONTACT INFORMATION

### Preparedness Branch

Phone: 502-564-7243

Fax: 502-564-4387

### SHOC (Level 2 & 1)

Phone: 502-564-5459/60

Fax: 502-564-0477

Email: [chfsdphdoc@ky.gov](mailto:chfsdphdoc@ky.gov)

### KDPH Emergency Contact Information

KDPH On-call EPI: 1-888-973-7678

KYEM Duty Officer: 502-607-1638

## Announcements Farewell

**John Rudolph**  
**Region 2 Regional Preparedness  
Coordinator**

*John accepted another job with state  
government*

*John you will be missed!*

## On the RADAR: Upcoming Deliverables

The purpose of this rotating list of the upcoming deliverables is to serve as a reminder of the tasks local health departments need to complete. Since many of the deliverables are due by the end of the fiscal year – June 30, 2015, our goal is to encourage LHDs to develop a plan on how you will work on the deliverables throughout the year.

### Core Deliverables

- **Joint Meetings**
  - The next ITV meeting will be **January 14, 2015** 1:30 – 3:30 ET
- **Planning/Training/Exercises**
  - LHDs will develop Standard Operation Guidelines (SOGs). This deliverable is based on the size of the LHD. **Due March 31, 2015**
    - Small LHDs will complete Core Response SOGs (population <49,999)
    - Medium LHDs will complete Core and additional SOGs (population 50,000-499,999)
    - Large LHDs will complete Core, additional SOGs and a DOC support Plan (population >500,000)
  - LHDs will develop, review and update (as necessary) the Local Health Department's jurisdiction SNS Plan and increase dispensing capability. **Due March 31, 2015**
  - LHD will maintain a process to ensure key personnel within the LHD can be contacted within 30 minutes (24/7) via the agency's main phone number. **This ability will be tested by KDPH by June 30, 2015**
  - Each LHD will determine appropriate staff needed during a response to a public health emergency or disaster and assure staff receives required training based on Training Matrix. **Due June 30, 2015**

**MRC Deliverables** Contact: [Heather.Walls@ky.gov](mailto:Heather.Walls@ky.gov) for more information.

- Update **the MRC unit's information and activities on the DCV/MRC website quarterly. Due March 31, 2015**
- Offer at least two face-to-face MRC volunteer training sessions from the KY MRC training matrix

### EPI Deliverables

- Conduct shelter surveillance during public health emergencies
- Maintain surveillance systems that can identify health problems, threats, and environmental hazards
- Maintain a current Epi-X account and actively monitor Epi-X daily reports and alerts. Participate in Epi-X notification drills

## Deliverable Highlight: SNS Program Updates

To meet this deliverable, local health departments will develop, review and/or update (as necessary) the Local Health Department's jurisdictional SNS Plan and in order to increase dispensing and distribution capabilities. This may include reviewing and revising POD Books and 215m, developing regional distributions site (RDS) plans, involving partners and recruiting businesses interested in becoming closed POD partners.

Contact Shannon Gregory or Lloyd Peniston if you have questions.

## Local News:

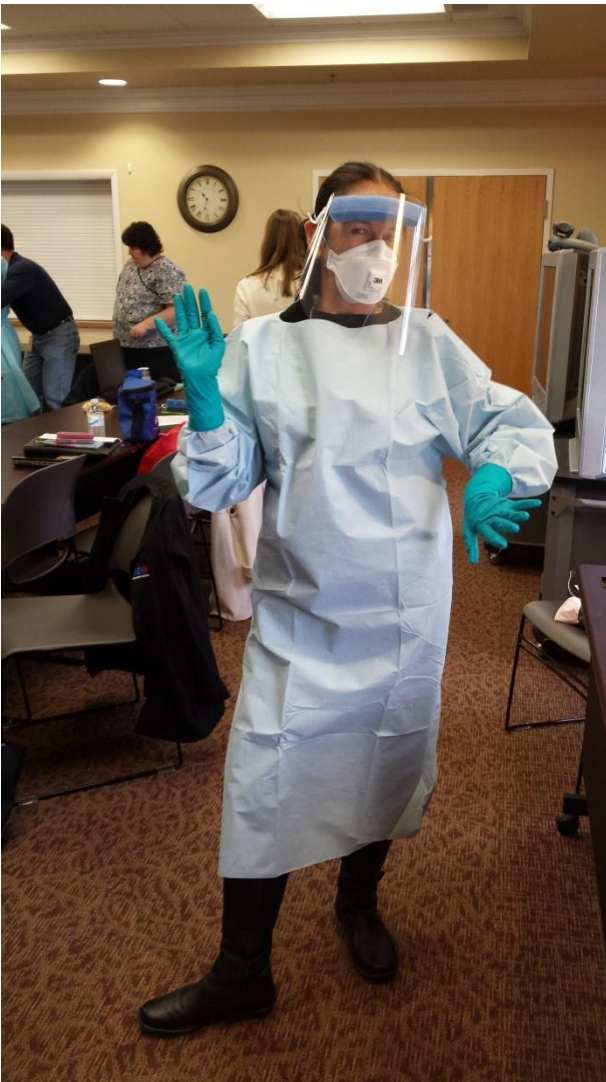
### Region 14 HPC Hosts PPE Training

Region 14 Healthcare Preparedness Coalition recently held training for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) specific for Ebola. Three representatives from the region, a Paramedic and two Infection Control Preventionists, who attended the statewide PPE train-the-trainer in Lexington, worked together to lead the training. Hospital staff present learned how to properly don and doff PPE. Following a PowerPoint presentation and video demonstrations, participants worked together using the buddy system to practice donning and doffing PPE brought from their facilities. This allowed for practicing with items that each facility has on hand and will use if necessary. Unique and innovative ideas for retrofitting available material to act as replacements for unavailable PPE were shared. Some of those ideas included utilizing a plastic rain poncho in place of a hood. The Region 14 HPC member responsible for this idea purchased rain ponchos from a local store and removed the body of the poncho, leaving just the poncho hood and flap to act as a hood. The same member also cut sleeves off old gowns and wove the tie from the old gown through the top of the sleeve, opposite the cuff, to make leg covers. Another facility purchased inexpensive, reusable clog-type shoes to eliminate the possibility of staff contaminating their own shoes. These dedicated clogs will be included in the PPE packets for the Ebola team. After use, they will be cleaned in a bleach solution and reused as needed. To ensure all the

necessary

documentation is maintained during a potential incident, one facility printed items such as the checklists and employee occurrence sheets placing them on a clipboard so they are readily available. All HPC members present learned a

vast amount through this training opportunity. Beyond the proper donning and doffing steps, innovative ideas were shared for retrofitting readily available items to meet the needs in a pinch making this a very effective training session. A second training is planned for additional HPC members to attend.



**Lake Cumberland District Health Department's Medical Director donning PPE**



**Region 14 HPC members practice donning PPE**



**Innovative idea to use sleeve as leg covering**



## News from the Branch:

### SNS Program Update

Submitted by Shannon Gregory

This will be a big year for the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) Program throughout the Commonwealth. Planning is well on its way for the 2015 SNS Full-scale exercise (FSE). The Kentucky Department for Public Health (KDPH) will seek to meet its 5-year grant obligations by conducting an FSE within the Louisville Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI) jurisdiction on June 16-18, 2015. This will include participation from a myriad of partners on every level of government, as well as partners from private industry. This three-day exercise will be a capstone event that will showcase our advanced preparedness and effective partnerships in a medical countermeasure event.



In addition, many Local Health Departments throughout the Commonwealth have stepped forward and dedicated themselves to conducting FSEs within their regions in order to meet exercise requirements. Some have already accomplished this daunting task. These exercises will likewise demonstrate the progressive level of preparedness across the state as well as the continued dedication of the Local Health Departments in the preparedness mission. This will most certainly be a year to remember.

Please be on the lookout for exercise templates, soon to be released, that will aid in your exercise development and documentation.

### Region 2 RPC Coverage

Tina Massengill and Margaret Hibbs will be providing RPC coverages in Region 2 until a replacement can be hired to fill John Rudolph's position. Tina and Margaret will be contacting local preparedness staff to set up meetings to discuss how they can assist. They have access to John's files so we hope this will help them better assist the region during this interim period.



Tina Massengill



Margaret Hibbs

### ESF-8 Conference Save the Date – May 14, 2014



We are working on plans for the 2015 ESF-8 Conference and need your assistance. Based on the recommendations from last year's evaluations, we are reducing the length of the conference to one full day instead of one full day and two half days that we have done previously. With the reduced amount of time planning good session topics is very important. We have created a draft list of session topics and want your help choosing which we provide. To so this list, please complete the survey monkey at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/R29JXWK>

The Conference will be held in Frankfort on Thursday, May 14, 2015.

More information will follow when it becomes available. The tentative dates for the conference were distributed at last year's conference. Thank you for your assistance with making the conference a success.

## Training - Know How

### **ICS300 – Jefferson County**

**January 16 – 18**

Registration required: <http://kyem.ky.gov/training/Pages/default.aspx>

Contact Barbara Hundley 502-607-2645

### **ICS300 via ITV – Various Sites**

**January 21 – 23**

TRAIN Registration required at Course ID 1054425

Contact: [David.Fifer@ky.gov](mailto:David.Fifer@ky.gov)

### **Mass Fatality Planning/Training – Region 3**

**January 28**

Contact: Margaret Hibbs

### **ICS400 – Jefferson County**

**January 31 – February 1**

Registration required: <http://kyem.ky.gov/training/Pages/default.aspx>

Contact Barbara Hundley 502-607-2645

### **ICS400 via ITV – Various Sites**

**March 10 - 11**

TRAIN Registration required. Course ID coming soon

Contact: [David.Fifer@ky.gov](mailto:David.Fifer@ky.gov)

## January

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

## February

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

## March

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

### **Holiday Reminder**

KDPH and some Local Health Departments will be closed on the following days:

**January 19**  
**Martin Luther King Jr.**  
**Holiday**

**April 3 - ½ day**  
**Good Friday**

## Events and Exercises

### **KDPH Weekly Healthcare Ebola Conference Call**

**January 9**

11:00 am ET Participant Dial-In Number: 1 (866) 570-4047, Passcode: 58773199

Contact: [RickD.Johnson@ky.gov](mailto:RickD.Johnson@ky.gov)

### **Joint Preparedness ITV meeting**

**January 14**

Contact: Kim Yazell

### **KDPH Weekly Healthcare Ebola Conference Call**

**January 23**

11:00 am ET Participant Dial-In Number: 1 (866) 570-4047, Passcode: 58853998

Contact: [RickD.Johnson@ky.gov](mailto:RickD.Johnson@ky.gov)

## LHD PPE training video coming soon

Due to a technical problem the PPE Donning and Doffing demonstration that Lynn Roser and Shelley Wood provided during the December 3 ITV the recorded version is not available yet. Lynn and Shelley are working with Education Workforce Development to rerecord this demonstration. The CDC also came out with new recommendations after the original demonstration and these new recommendations will be included in the new recording. We encourage health department staff who participated in the original ITV to also view the recording once it is released to make sure they have the latest information.

## Newsletter Submissions

The next issue of **Preparedness at a Glance** will be sent out February 6, 2014. Submissions for the newsletter should be sent to [KimD.Yazell@ky.gov](mailto:KimD.Yazell@ky.gov) by January 23.